1997 LAWS OF MARYLAND

MARYLAND, Sct.:

At a Session of the General Assembly of Maryland, begun and held in the City of Annapolis on the Eighth Day of January 1997, and ending on the Seventh Day of April 1997, Parris N. Glendening being Governor of the State, the following laws were enacted, to wit:

CHAPTER 1

(Senate Bill 340)

AN ACT concerning

Brownfields - Voluntary Cleanup and Revitalization Programs

FOR the purpose of establishing a Voluntary Cleanup Program in the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE); establishing a Voluntary Cleanup Fund administered by MDE; requiring MDE to adopt certain regulations; establishing certain application requirements, including the payment of a certain fee; establishing certain requirements for MDE's determination of whether to approve an application; authorizing MDE to notify an applicant of a certain determination of no further requirements at the applicant's property, subject to certain conditions; establishing procedures for the payment of certain additional costs or the refund of certain application fees under certain circumstances; establishing certain requirements upon approval of an application; establishing certain requirements and procedures for the proposal and approval of response action plans; requiring a participant to file a certain bond or other security for certain purposes; requiring MDE to review certain standards in a certain time period and authorizing MDE to revise the standards; establishing certain procedures for public participation in MDE's process of approving response action plans; establishing certain requirements for MDE's decision on a proposed response action plan, including the issuance of a certain letter that provides the participant with certain assurances; establishing certain procedures and requirements for the withdrawal of an application or response action plan; requiring a participant to notify MDE that a response action plan has been completed; requiring MDE to issue a certificate of

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

Strike out indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.

Italics indicate opposite chamber/conference committee amendments.